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**PUBLIC MEETINGS TO LOOK AT NON-MOTORIZED TRAVEL IN  
THE SALEM TO CONCORD TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR**

Upcoming public meetings scheduled in Derry and Hooksett by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation are aimed at presenting and discussing ways of enabling non-motorized traffic to utilize the 40-mile corridor between Salem and Concord.

The February 11 meeting in Derry and the February 13 meeting in Hooksett will discuss such issues associated with the corridor as right-of-way, funding, safety, environmental concerns, aesthetics, surface types and maintenance.

The NHDOT has contracted a feasibility study for a transportation network of non-motorized routes along the Salem to Concord transportation corridor. This study will examine the network of existing roads, trails and abandoned railroad corridors that could be used as a basis for the development of a continuous non-motorized multi-use bikeway from Salem to Concord.

The following public meetings are intended to gather important ideas as part of the feasibility study:

February 11, 2003  
7:00 PM  
Municipal Center  
14 Manning Street  
Derry, NH

February 13, 2003  
7:00 PM  
Hooksett Public Library  
1701B Hooksett Road  
Hooksett, NH

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